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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Etsuko HAYASHI, et al.

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For:

OPTICAL AMPLIFIER WITH PUMP LIGHT SOURCE CONTROL FOR RAMAN

AMPLIFICATION

COMMUNICATION TO THE EXAMINER

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The Notice of Allowability mailed in the above-referenced application includes an acknowledged Form PTO-1449 of the IDS filed on July 23, 2003. However, the Examiner did not "initial" references AM and AN on page 1 of the Form PTO-1449. This appears to be a minor oversight by the Examiner.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner "initial" references AM and AN on the Form PTO-1449. If convenient for the Examiner, the Examiner can "initial" references AM and AN on the Form PTO-1449, and fax the initialed copy to the undersigned Attorney Kravetz at facsimile number (202) 434-1501. Alternatively, the Examiner can mail a Supplemental Notice of Allowability to acknowledge the references.

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